

Duxbury Selectboard Meeting July 9, 2012

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

Board members present: Dick Charland, Mo LaVanway, Maureen Harvey
Board members absent: Craig Isvak, Mike Marshall

Others: Dale Marshall, Brian Gibbs, Jeff Poitras, Betty Gibbs, Dave Patterson, Ken Scott, Eric Ladensack, Annette Griffith, Steve Wilder, Kristen Fountain, Rachel Goff, Adam Magee, Leon Dunbar, Bob Magee, Lars Dixon, Scott Woodard

Minutes June 25: Motion to approve with a change of 2003 truck to 2000 truck by Maureen, seconded by Mo. All approved.

Citizens to address the board:

Betty: concerns: attitude of board members toward citizens' concerns in general, no copy of certification of insurance for Steven Manosh in using his equipment, amount of overtime, what we are getting for our money, how the fuel is being followed and audited, training on grader etc, maintenance expended on equipment, are vehicles being abused.

Dick reply: We will look at the fuel audit procedures, grader school was not available this spring and hoped to have Bubby Wilder do some training, the repairs to the equipment have been from lack of maintenance in previous years.

Scott: Are we using the personnel policies in our decisions toward the employee decisions, where are the back ground paper work from the previous applications for road crew?

Dick: I have them at home and will get them to the Town Clerk's Office.

Eric: Concerns about potholes on Camels Hump Road.

Betty: Concerns about Town Foreman taking vacation time when there was not available time.

Jeff: Temporary registration plates on the grader and loader run out on July 15th.

Dick: Nortrax is sending duplicate titles.

Annette: Liz Magill has gone on her own and has worked on tax sales.

Mo made motion to stay with Liz. Maureen seconded. All in favor.

Treasurer report: Ken: Residential rate of 1.8797 and non residential rate of 1.9394 with a Town part of .4782 at this time.

Dick: Capital Reserve seems short by about 88M and have expended approximately 15M. Ken will check it out. Questions about \$672,204.11 FEMA Act, General Fund is still owed 100M. Pay off in November 45M for storm expenses located on wrong line item. Ken to check.

Emergency Management Committee: Bob's radios are here. Radio North will be scheduled for next week to mount and tune in. Ken needs to get all paperwork together as per grant request. Grant is still out on the repeaters on site. Look good in front of Bob's home and at Pentington site on Ward Hill. Should hear about the grant next week. Generator grant is still out.

Lars: Talked about the Emergency Weather Protocol Sheet. Mo made motion to accept the Protocol and put into Red book for Emergencies. Maureen seconded. All in favor.

Maureen: FEMA project numbers 4022 and 1955 are set up in spreadsheets and Dick and Maureen will get together to finish and meet with the accountant.

AOT Grant: Pollander Bridge bid engineering estimate was 165M to 175M. Four responses on bid:

Dale Percy - \$118,153

Griffin & Griffin - \$129,000

Kingsbury Co. - \$154,445

Parent Construction - \$208,400

This is a 80-20 split.

Dick will email Tom Anderson, Project Manager for Washington County, and see if the savings on this project can be applied toward the River Road Project. Crossett Hill Road will be closed for four weeks or so due to this project.

River Road – 60M to do the work, time and materials – no help from the State.

Gravel Pit: Susan Baird has been contacted and will get back to us soon.

Camels Hump Road: The plate on Bridge 141 was looked at and needs to get a bridge contractor to evaluate the best solution. Possibly S.D. Ireland.

The washout around the new guardrails on Camels Hump Road: The rails are 6' to 8' long and are stable now but it was suggested that the banks be stabilized and for now we grade the roads away from the rails so the water goes down the ditch to the culvert.

Lars: Is the money from River & Streams?

Lars: We need to set up a running task list, citizens are questioning the management of timely solutions.

Loader Accident: 9am on Thursday the 5th Robert Catchapaw was running the load, got too close to the bank, and rolled the loader. He was not injured. Adam called 911, 1st

response ambulance crew showed up and the fire department checked the leaking fluids. Charlebois was called and righted the loader. Nortrax was called to check the loader this week before starting and the Insurance Company will send an adjuster. The Highway crew was consulted about safety issues.

Bob: Concerns about how the roads are done, communication between liaison and crew members, also want to make sure the loader is repaired properly and completely.

Mutual Aid: Bob: Make sure agreements between towns are simple and state that vehicles are fueled.

Waterbury Application: Duncan McDougall is “working on” a grant for the Route 2, Route 100 junction for bike and pedestrian walkway. Approximately \$350,000 and should we get involved.

Special Town Meeting:

Dick: The need to keep the rate from raising 16 cents to 17 cents with the shortfall of approximately 250M. Possibility of bonding the approximately 250M to 5 year to lower to 3-4 cents per year. We have the town’s share of the Pollander Project and River Road Project of 60M and do we want to cover these expenses with some of our capital funds?

Bob: Forest & Parks has a ¾ ton truck to look at for short term.

Warning for the Special Meeting:

Warning has to be sent 30-40 days out. Meeting date of August 15th on Wednesday at 7pm at the Crossett Brook School. Maureen made the motion. Mo seconded. All in favor.

The articles in these minutes are not the final draft.

1. Adjust town tax rate with 5 year bond of Approximately 250M
2. Funds our share of Pollander Bridge
3. Funds for River Road 60M
4. Funds for Truck

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm. Maureen made motion. Dick seconded.